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Invention: COMPOSITE PROSTHETIC
 BEARING HAVING A
 CROSSLINKED ARTICULATING
 SURFACE AND METHOD FOR
 MAKING THE SAME

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND ELECTION OF SPECIES

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Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement detailed in the Office Action dated 9/24/2003, Applicants elect to have examination of claims 19-30 and 49-70, the claims of Group II. Claims 1-18, 31-48, and 71-75, the claims of Group I, along with claims 76-123, the claims of Group III, are hereby cancelled without prejudice.

In response to the election of species detailed in the same Office Action, Applicants elect to prosecute the claims of Species II (acetabular bearing, FIGS. 3-4) which includes claims 19-23, 26-30, 49-52, 55-61, and 64-70. The claims of Species I (i.e., claims 24, 53, and 62) and Species III (i.e., claims 25, 54, and 63) are withdrawn from consideration. Applicants will request consideration of such withdrawn claims when a generic claim is deemed allowable.

A claim list reflecting these changes to the claims is attached hereto.

Please charge any fees which may be due to constitute this a timely response to the 9/24/03 Office Action to Applicants' undersigned counsel's deposit account 10-0435 with reference to file number 265280-68002.

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